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Remarks (new)

There is disclosed in Kemker 5,794,524 a blade that agitates and swirls "A food processor comprising a mixing vessel being heatable in a lower region thereof, an agitator in the mixing vessel, a drive for the agitator, a top unit supported at an upper region of the mixing vessel opposite said lower region of the mixing vessel...." And "there is provided a food processor which, apart from the functions mentioned such as stirring...." Kemker does not refer to a blade that chops, dices or cuts he uses a blade that agitates, swirls and stirs. One can stir, agitate and swirl with something like a spoon or a spatula. Kemker does not incorporate a food processing element to 5,794,524. Instead Kemker adds a stirring or agitating feature to a steamer.

One skilled in the art could have adapted the steam nozzle mixing action from an espresso machine to a single serving use food container like Cai 6,582,743. However, unlike the steam delivery system and container combination described in Cai, the present invention is not designed specifically for single serving use. Furthermore unlike the steam delivery system described in Cai the present invention sends steam into a container through a centrally located standing passage-way.

Sharples in 6,550,372 uses a beater to mix commonly found in a mixer. A standard mixer does not chop.